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Application Number

Filing Date

07/28/03

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**As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:**

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

HAIR HOLDING AND CONTAINMENT DEVICE

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

is attached hereto

OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) [redacted]

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(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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